

I recently took a trip in my car. What a pleasure it was to be able to tune into known XM channels and obtain traffic and weather reports for the cities I visited and not have to search up and down the AM/FM dial for unknown local stations to obtain this information. In the past, before XM, it was always a problem trying to find an AM/FM station in a strange city that provided the information I needed when I needed it.

During my recent trip, I really appreciated being able to put my XM radio on a station of my choice and being able to keep that station wherever I drove -- no static, no fading signals. The XM radio provides me with many choices and allows me to pick the station that suits my mood on any given day.

I urge you to reject the National Association of Broadcasters' petition 04-160 and to support XM's ability to provide the kind of programming I need when I'm on the road.